CHAPTER IV—LOCAL ADMINISTRATION.

(i) Corporation of the City of Bangalore.

357. The area of the City of Bangalore is 26·7 square miles. The population as per census of 1951 is 7,76,170 as against 4,06,760 in 1941.

358. The total number of live births registered during the year was 30,229 (29,745). The birth rate was 34·67 (33·15.)

359. The total number of deaths during the year was 12,593 (11,757). The death rate was 14·44 (13·16).

360. The Corporation was free from plague and cholera and among the infectious diseases, tuberculosis took a heavy toll. Preventive measures were carried out on an intensive scale throughout the year.

361. The total expenditure incurred under Public Health was Rs. 29,07,056, during the year.

362. Special attention was paid to various food commodities offered for sale in the public markets and private shops. Unwholesome meat, fruits, vegetables etc., were seized and destroyed and parties concerned warned.

363. The total amount of expenditure incurred under Education was Rs. 2,95,812 while the receipts inclusive of Government grant was Rs. 1,02,967. Education.

364. The Corporation continued to maintain four High Schools and five Higher Elementary Schools. The total number of pupils taught was 7,153.

365. During the year, the Corporation opened a new Nursery School in Banappa Park.

366. The existing water supply system designed for less than half the present population was found to be utterly inadequate to meet the requirements and an alround expansion of the storage and water distribution system had to be effected. In order to improve the distribution in the Corporation area, a sum of Rs. 60 lakhs was allotted out of rupees one crore earmarked as loan to the Corporation under the National Water Supply and Drainage Scheme in the Second Five-Year Plan. The position of water supply in the Northern area of the Civil Station, Bangalore, Water Supply.

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was distressingly acute. A scheme was sanctioned costing Rs. 33 1/2 lakhs for laying 24" pipe line from combined Jewell Filters to Machalibetta and construction of three zonal tanks of 0·5 M.G., 1·0 M.G., and 1·0 M.G. at Jayamahal Bridge, Richards Town Park and Machalibetta respectively.

367. A sum of Rs. 57,812 under Installation of sub-mains and Rs. 9,751 under Public Fountains and Rs. 2,03,235 under Advance to the Water Supply Department was spent during the year.

Lighting.

368. Substantial additions to street lights and increase in wattage of existing lamps were made during the year.

Housing Scheme.

369. The Corporation has constructed more than 2,000 small houses in several parts of the City which are let out to the employees and others on reasonable rents. In addition, it has also provided more than 1,000 quarters to its sweepers and scavengers, rent free. In addition to these, the Corporation was constructing 15 blocks of houses each consisting of four tenements under a loan of Rs. 1,34,000 provided by the State Government under Low Income Group Housing Scheme.

Slum Clearance.

370. A sum of Rs. 65,339 was spent for slum clearance work. Tenemental quarters were constructed on the existing plinths in sweeper huts areas at Goripalyam. Roads were formed in A.K. Colony, Jeevanahalli and drains were constructed. Similar other works were also carried out in other areas where found necessary.

Medical Relief.

371. The Corporation continued to maintain one Corporation Dispensary, one Ayurvedic Dispensary and one Unani Dispensary at which 38,181, 72,846 and 51,222 patients, respectively, were treated. The Corporation also continued to maintain a Tuberculosis Dispensary.

Maternity and Child-welfare.

372. The total expenditure incurred under this head during the year was Rs. 3,23,921.

373. The Corporation was maintaining nine Maternity Homes with 210 beds wherein, pre-natal, natal, and post-natal work were done. In these Maternity Homes, 6,856 labour cases were conducted during the year.

374. In addition to these Maternity Homes, the Corporation maintains also 18 Maternity and Child-welfare Centres where the case of expectant mothers and children